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Senate Bill _____
By _____

House No. HJR0062
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A RESOLUTION to direct the Tennessee Wildlife Resources
Agency to establish a separate Canada Geese
quota for the southern part of Kentucky Lake.

WHEREAS, because of copious water supplies in the state of Tennessee, the sport of
hunting waterfowl has become immensely popular; and

WHEREAS, the sportsmen of our great state hunt numerous species of waterfowl,
including migratory geese; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Valley Population of Canada Geese make West Tennessee
their home for the winter; and

WHEREAS, the hunting quota for this species of geese in the Kentucky/Barkley Lake
Zone of West Tennessee currently stands at 1,800; and

WHEREAS, in some years this quota has been reached prior to the end of the hunting
season, thereby closing the season early; and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated that the sportsmen in the southern part of this
zone, particularly the southern tip of Kentucky Lake, do not have a fair and equitable chance to
hunt this species of geese due to their pattern of migration; and

WHEREAS, therefore, most of the 1,800 available geese are killed prior to reaching this part of the zone, closing the season early, and leaving some Tennessee citizens without even a chance to hunt Canada Geese; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of this General Assembly that all sportsmen in the Kentucky/Barkley Lake Zone should have a fair and equitable chance to hunt the Canada Goose; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of this Body that a separate quota be set for Canada Geese for the southern part of Kentucky Lake in the name of good and fair sportsmanship; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby direct the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency to set a separate quota for Canada Geese in the south Kentucky Lake region of the Kentucky/Barkley Lake Zone; thereby, setting aside 200 of the 1,800 available geese per season for the sportsmen of this area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be sent to the Executive Director of Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.

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